



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Joseph H. Sklar et al.  
Serial No.: 09/715,714  
Filing Date: 11/17/2000  
For: FIXATION SCREW, GRAFT LIGAMENT ANCHOR  
ASSEMBLY AND METHOD FOR SECURING A GRAFT  
LIGAMENT IN A BONE TUNNEL  
Group Art Unit: 3738  
Examiner: Bruce Edward Snow  
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Respectfully submitted,



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